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SUBJ: INSPECTION REPORT FEBRUARY 1978

REF: BARNEBEY LETTER OF 3/30/78

1. AS REQUESTED LISTED BELOW ARE POST RESPONSES TO INSPECTOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS AS STATED IN INSPECTION REPORT ON CONDUCT OF RELATIONS WITH ANDEAN COUNTRIES DATED FEBRUARY 1978. RESPONSE CORRESPONDS WITH INSPECTION REPORT RECOMMENDATION NUMBER.

3.4-1 - AIRGRAM HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED AND MONTHLY PUBLICATION IS BEING SUBMITTED TO APPROPRIATE OFFICES OF DEPARTMENT.

7.4-1 - AN INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED AND POST HAS DECIDED TO DEFER DECISION ON ESTABLISHMENT OF A JAO FOR SIX MONTHS TO A YEAR DUE TO EXPECTED EXPANSION AID MISSION AND POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS OF GORM PROCESS ON ALL AGENCY RESOURCES. A COPY OF THE COMMITTEE REPORT IS BEING SENT TO ARA/MGT AND SOME CONSOLIDATION OF SERVICES WILL TAKE PLACE.

-2 AND -3 - ASSUMING DEPARTMENT APPROVAL IS GRANTED TO IMPLEMENT RECENT FULL WAGE SURVEY, POST PLANS CEASE APPOINTMENTS TO CSR RETIREMENT SYSTEM EFFECTIVE JUNE 30TH. MISSION WILL ALSO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOP TO PLACE ALL EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER THAT DATE UNDER LOCAL SOCIAL SECURITY RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

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-6 - POST WILL EXERT EVERY EFFORT POSSIBLE LIMIT EMERGENCY PAYMENTS. DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE AWARE THAT DELAYS IN VOUCHERING THROUGH WFC, AND DIFFICULT CASH FLOW PROBLEMS FACING SMALL BUSINESSMEN IN PERU RESULT IN FREQUENT PRESSURES TO MAKE EXCEPTIONS.

-7 - FUNDS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FROM ARA/MGT TO IMPROVE C&R WORK

AREA. CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING MAKES ENLARGEMENT OF AREA EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE. SUBJECT WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH FBO ARCHITECT DURING FORTHCOMING VISIT TO PERU IN MAY/78.

-8 - PROPOSALS FOR RELOCATION OF COMMISSARY AND VISA OPERATIONS ARE UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION IN THE DEPARTMENT - ARA/MGT AND FBO. POST CONCURRED WITH PROPOSAL IN DECEMBER 1977. NO DECISION BY DEPARTMENT TO DATE.

-9 - LIMA WILL FORMALLY REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF EMBASSY WING. INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH FBO INDICATE POSITIVE ACTION UNLIKELY PRIOR TO 1981 AT THE EARLIEST.

-10 - RENTAL CONTROL BOARD HAS HELD ONE MEETING AND PROVISIONS OF 6 FAM 722 WERE REVIEWED. BOARD CONSISTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ALL AGENCIES AND TWO PRIVATE BUSINESSMEN. BOARD IS SATISFIED PROVISIONS OF FAM ARE BEING FOLLOWED AND RECOMMENDED POST GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASING RESIDENTIAL HOUSING IN LIMA FOR MAJORITY OF MISSION MEMBERS. MISSION CONCURS SOME ADDITIONAL HOUSING COULD USEFULLY BE PURCHASED AT THIS TIME AND SUBJECT WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH FBO REPRESENTATIVE DURING HIS FORTHCOMING VISIT TO LIMA.

-11 AND -12 - EMBASSY IS FORMALLY ADVERTISING ALL CONTRACTS.  
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ALL SERVICE CONTRACTS ARE CURRENTLY UNDER REVISION OR BEING FORMALLY ADVERTISED.

-13 - ARA/MGT HAS INSTRUCTED AND THE POST HAS AGREED TO ABOLISH DURING FY 78 POSITIONS 52-146, 154, 150, 151, & 153. MAINTENANCE SERVICES WILL BE OBTAINED THROUGH COMMISSARY ASSOCIATION IN ACCORDANCE INFORMAL RECOMMENDATIONS OF INSPECTORS. POSITION NO. 139, AND 182 ARE BEING PROGRAMMED TO FUNCTIONS OF WAREHOUSE SUPERVISOR AND ASSISTANT WAREHOUSEMAN/MAINTENANCE LIAISON.

-14 - APPROPRIATE STOCK RECORDS ARE BEING CORRECTED. RECEIVING PROCEDURES AND INVENTORY CONTROLS ARE BEING INSTITUTED AND GREATLY FACILITATED AS NEW WAREHOUSE BEGINS OPERATION.

-15 - EMBASSY REQUESTED AND DEPARTMENT HAS APPROVED RETENTION OF FORD STATION WAGON ON EXCEPTION BASIS.

-17 AND -18 - BIDS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN RECEIVED FOR INSTALLATION OF GRILLS AT DCM RESIDENCE. EMBASSY HAS REQUESTED DEPARTMENTAL ASSISTANCE FOR REMODELING OF CHANCERY LOBBY. EMBASSY RSO IS REVIEWING NECESSITY CONTINUING CURRENT NUMBER OF CONTRACT

GUARDS. WHEN PROJECTS ARE COMPLETED AND RSO FINISHES REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED BY SECURITY WATCH COMMITTEE AND AMBASSADOR FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION.

8.4-1 - ALL OER'S WILL AND ARE BEING REVIEWED BY A REVIEW PANEL.

10.4-1 - THE EMBASSY AND ODC HAVE DESCRIBED TO THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND DEFENSE THE INFORMATION WHICH THE MISSION NEEDS. DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND DEFENSE HAVE SUPPLIED INFORMATION ON FMS CASES OF INTEREST. THE MISSION STILL AWAITS AN ACCOUNTING OF THE CURRENT BALANCE OF FMS CREDITS FROM RECENT FISCAL YEARS.

11.4.A-1,2 - THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GROUP PURCHASES ASSOCIATION  
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IS EXERTING EVERY EFFORT TO OBTAIN TIMELY ANNUAL AUDIT REPORTS. AN AUDIT IS BEING CONDUCTED AT THIS TIME. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL IMPLEMENT AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS AS APPROPRIATE WHEN KNOWN. INSURANCE COVERAGE HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE BOARD AND NEGOTIATIONS WITH LOCAL COMPANIES WILL BEGIN WITHIN THE NEXT 30 DAYS. ALL CONTRACTS WITH THE MISSION ARE BEING REVISED.

11.4.B-1 - AN AUDIT OF A/AOS FUNDS IN THE AMERICAN SCHOOL WAS CONDUCTED ON FEBRUARY 10, 1978. A COPY OF THE AUDIT WAS FORWARDED TO THE DEPARTMENT ON FEBRUARY 14, 1978. ANNUAL AUDITS, WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE FUTURE.  
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